Indian Health Service Budget Update

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Indian Health Service COVID-19 Funding



COVID-19 Funding Overview

The IHS has received a total of \$1.9 billion in COVID-19 resources, either through direct appropriations, or through HHS.

Congress has enacted four supplemental appropriations bills:

- Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Act: \$70 million
- Families First Coronavirus Response Act: \$64 million
- CARES Act: \$1.032 billion
- ❖ PPP & Health Care Enhancement Act: \$750 million

Potable Water and Sanitation Needs

The IHS allocated \$10 million of CARES Act funding to support unforeseen near-term needs. Thus far, \$9.4 million has been distributed.

- ❖ 1st Distribution: \$4.7 million
 - These funds were provided to all 12 IHS Areas.
- ❖ 2nd Distribution: \$4.7 million
 - These funds were provided to the Navajo Area.

CARES Act "Unallocated" Amount

The IHS allocated \$30 million of CARES Act funding to support unanticipated near-term needs. Thus far, \$10 million has been identified for a specific project.

- Interagency Agreement (IAA) for PPE: \$10 million
 - The IHS is working to implement an IAA to procure hard to find PPE and medical supplies through the Strategic National Stockpile, to supplement National Service Supply Fund resources.
 - Supplies procured under this method would be provided to I/T/Us at no cost.

Indian Health Service Fiscal Year 2021 House Bill



FY 2021 House Bill Overview

The FY 2021 House Bill includes a total discretionary budget authority of \$6.5 billion, which is \$445 million above FY 2020 enacted.

This includes four accounts:

- Services: \$4.5 billion
- Facilities: \$935 million
- Contract Support Costs: \$916 million
 - Remains an indefinite discretionary appropriation for fully funding CSC
- ❖ Section 105(/) Leases: \$101 million
 - A new indefinite discretionary appropriation for fully funding Section 105(I) Leases

FY 2021 House Bill – Additional Facilities

The FY 2020 House Bill also includes a separate \$1.5 billion appropriation for IHS facilities programs. This includes:

- \$1.25 billion for the Health Care Construction Facilities Priority List, and the Small Ambulatory Program,
- \$200 million for maintenance and improvement needs,
- \$50 million for new and replacement staff quarters, and
- \$50 million for equipment.

Indian Health Service Section 105(/) Leases



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